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CALIXPYRROLES

In the Claims

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REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 91, and 111-117 are canceled without prejudice for filing in a divisional application. Claims 1, 4, and 95-110 are pending.

II. Election Requirement

The Office Action defined patentably distinct species comprising compositions of pyrroles, pyridines, and pyridinopyrroles, and required an election of a single species.

Response

Applicants elect, without traverse, the species of calixpyrroles as reflected by the claim cancellations. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the nonelected species. Claims 1, 4, and 95-110 read on the species of calixpyrroles.

III. Inventorship

The inventorship has been amended to reflect the inventorship of the elected species of calixpyrroles. Filed concurrently herewith is a Request for Correction of Inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48(b) stating that John W. Genge is no longer an inventor of the invention claimed as a result of claim cancellations in response to the election requirement.

IV. Conclusion

It is believed that all matters of the Office Action have been addressed. Reconsideration and an early indication of the allowability of Claims 1, 4, and 95-110 are earnestly requested. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments or suggestions that would expedite the prosecution of the present case to allowance, Applicant's undersigned representative earnestly requests a telephone conference at (512) 499-6200.

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ATTACHMENT A VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification

The list of inventors and the title are amended as indicated below (language to be deleted is enclosed in brackets).

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